CALIFORNIA WATER PLAN UPDATE 2009 CALIFORNIA TRIBAL WATER SUMMIT PLANNING TEAM

DRAFT Highlights from Meeting, September 17, 2009, in Sacramento

The tenth meeting of the California Tribal Water Summit Planning Team (PT) took place in Sacramento on September 17, 2009. Dorian Fougères, facilitator for the Team, welcomed team members and reviewed the agenda. The objectives of the meeting were to (1) discuss a variety of updates regarding ongoing work, and (2) select speakers, moderators, and co-chairs for the Summit.

Invitations

A PT member (Barbara Cross) reported the Summit invitations to Tribes and cabinet members will be ready to send out as soon as Secretary Chrisman signs them. Invitations will also be sent out to the Water Plan Steering Committee. A few members flagged the need to get the invitations out as soon as possible to ensure Tribal and State leaders would be able to attend. It was suggested to send out an invitation letter from the Planning Team to precede the letter form Secretary Chrisman. A few members also suggested inviting state legislators as guests to the Summit, especially those who have an interest in or a history of supporting Tribes.

Logo Art

The group confirmed the logo by artist Mike Rodriguez would appear in both oval and round form (the oval for flyers and posters, the round for letterhead). The PT decided to request that Mr. Rodriguez send his biography, design information, copyright information, and his address to send his check. In return, the PT will send Mr. Rodriguez an honorarium, along with an invitation to exhibit his works at the Summit, and assistance with copyright language.

Conference Services Discussion

Heather Williams, CCE, introduced herself to the Team and explained her role in assisting with Summit planning. As much of the planning has been completed, Heather will focus on registration. This includes online registration, a toll-free number to answer questions, information collection for reimbursement, and managing the exhibition booths. During the Summit, CCE will check in attendees, assist with questions, and hand out materials. In order to ensure that Summit registration has a native presence, CCE agreed to pair with volunteers from Inter-Tribal Council of California in staffing the registration tables.

Summit Speakers

The PT suggested several potential speakers for each topic. The group discussed the speakers' expertise and regional affiliation, to ensure both Northern and Southern California are represented. Individual PT members offered to follow-up with the potential speakers.

Photography

The PT also met with the DWR photographer and discussed appropriate protocols to preserve people's privacy and the sanctity of various cultural practices.